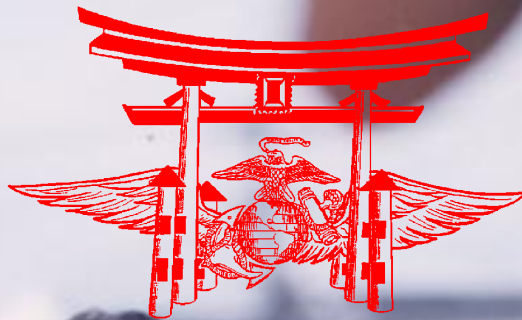


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# America takes time to honor you

## From Commandant of the Marine Corps

For more than two centuries, the Marine Corps has courageously fought alongside our service brethren in every clime and place. During that time, U.S. Marines, Sailors, soldiers, airmen and Coastguardsmen have garnered a heroic war-fighting legacy. Today, we constitute a formidable armed force — the best trained, finest equipped, and most capable in the world. Yet, it is our excellence in character — a common commitment and great love for our nation and its ideals — that distinguishes the American fighting force from all others.

On Armed Forces Day, we celebrate you, our nation's defenders — the finest fighting force the world has ever known. Moreover, we celebrate that inner strength and firm resolution to God and country which defines the American Armed Forces. As you celebrate at home with parades and ceremonies, pause and reflect on the nearly one hundred thousand servicemembers who are deployed in harm's way. From the hostilities in the Balkans and Iraq to relief efforts in war-torn and weather-ravaged communities around the world, the U.S. Armed Forces deliver a promise of peace and comfort to those who would otherwise know none.

On this day, I extend my sincere appreciation for your commitment to excellence, selfless dedication and honorable service to our nation. Your efforts not only protect

## From Secretary of Defense

Each year on the third Saturday of May, America takes time out to honor you - the men and women of America's armed forces. Armed Forces Day serves a very important purpose by reminding all Americans of your willingness to serve and sacrifice to protect our nation's freedom. Because of you, America remains strong and secure.

This past year, perhaps more than any in recent memory, your skills and commitment have been tested. You have demonstrated professionalism during Operation Desert Fox. You have patrolled the dangerous skies over Iraq. You have saved lives, providing relief and rescue in the wake of Hurricane Mitch. And in the Balkans, you have stood against oppression and for our interests and ideals. Time and time again, you have met every test and overcome every challenge with skill, professionalism

and dedication.

Celebrations and events will take place in communities throughout the United States as citizens gather to express their profound gratitude to you, your families and the communities that support you. Each and every day, the work you do helps spread the blessings of freedom and democracy to people around the world.

Whether you serve in the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, Air Force or Coast Guard, Armed Forces Day is your day. It is a day when you receive the gratitude and acknowledgement you so richly deserve. I salute your achievements and your selfless service. By your dedication and deeds, you have earned the honor, respect and gratitude of your fellow Americans.

/s/ William S. Cohen  
Secretary of Defense

the foundation of democracy at home, but shine as a beacon of hope to those on foreign shores.

Semper Fidelis,  
/s/ C.C. Krulak  
Commandant of the Marine Corps

### Our Covers



**FRONT: One of Friendship Day's younger visitors steps forward to conduct III MEF musicians. (photo by LCpl. Ryan Bradburn)**  
**BACK: Sgt. Joseph DiRicco, SAR swimmer, assists a family out of an HH-46 helicopter on display. (photo by GySgt. Mark Zeid)**

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## News Briefs

### Marine Nominations

President William Clinton has nominated LtGen. James Jones for appointment to the grade of general and assignment as the 32nd Commandant of the Marine Corps, pending approval by the U.S. Senate. A change of command ceremony is scheduled June 30. In addition, Secretary of Defense William Cohen recently announced the nomination of MGen. Earl Hailston for appointment to lieutenant general with assignment as commanding general, III MEF; commander, Marine Corps bases, Japan; commander, Marine Forces, Japan.

### Crewman Found

The body of Sgt. Obdulio Munoz III, the missing crewman from a CH-53E helicopter crash in Okinawa April 19, was found April 28 in the Pacific Ocean east of Okinawa's Northern Training Area.

### Speed Limit Changes

Air station personnel are reminded of the recent speed limit change on Avenue S along Penny Lake. The 40 kph-limit is extended to the "driveway" dividing Penny Lake ball fields where the 60-kph limit begins.

### Tax Center

The Station Tax Center moved from Bldg. 163 today and will be closed until its re-opening Monday in the station Headquarters, Bldg. 360. The new number will be 253-5591/5592.

### Traffic Change

The intersection of 10th Street and Newell Drive in front of the Eagle's Nest is now a two-way stop. Due to construction, E Circle Drive in front of the Provost Marshal's Office is closed from Brushert Drive to the Sakura Theater parking lot.

# Worldwide memo warns American military of possible terrorist threats

by Cpl. Michael Niman  
Torii Teller Staff

United States servicemembers around the globe are being advised of attack threats directed at them in retaliation for the NATO's involvement in Yugoslavia.

In April, an Armed Forces-wide e-mail informed commanders of possible threats to troops stationed in or traveling through the United States.

The e-mail, originating within the FBI, reported that Serbian Orthodox churches in the United States received faxes urging Serbian nationalists living in America to take action against NATO intervention in their homeland.

The faxes called for Serbs to kill as many American soldiers as necessary in protest of NATO attacks against Serbia.

The FBI message states the possible types of threats as being unknown, but urges U.S. forces to

remain alert.

Department of Defense installations have been in Threat Condition Alpha, the military's first step in its heightened state of terrorism awareness, since American embassies in Africa were bombed during the summer of 1998.

One stateside news article reported the threat as being a "rant," intended to undermine American support of NATO airstrikes and U.S. troop involvement in the Balkan states.

Although the materialization of terrorist threats in conjunction with military operations is not usual, according to DoD officials, it is DoD policy to take all terrorist threats seriously.

The policy also states the mission of U.S. forces will always involve some element of risk at the hands of terrorists, and DoD will remain cognizant and continue to take measures to enhance force protection as necessary.

## Country Music Channel to air soon

by Cpl. Michael Niman  
Torii Teller Staff

Air station residents will soon be receiving the Country Music Channel through the air station's cable system.

New television channels have been airing here since April 23, including CNN International, National Geographic, BBC World and CNBC Asia.

The change was based on the decision by Star Television to switch their main channel, Star World, to digital reception, according to Adrian Massey, the station's electronics maintenance officer.

The switch left the air station receiving only Star Sports and Channel V from analog receptions from the Star Satellite.

"To keep receiving Star World, it

would have cost us \$1,800 per month, plus start-up costs," said Massey. "We knew about Star's plans months ago, so we began doing research to see if we could adequately replace their services."

Electronic Maintenance Division research led to what air station residents are receiving now — fully digital television channels, free-of-charge.

The switch to digital was easy, according to Massey.

"We just pointed our satellite dish at satellites carrying channels that would best make up for the Star Service," he said.

Viewers may have noticed some choppy reception from the new channels at first, but the digital



# MAG-12 administration comes under one roof

by LCpl. Ryan Bradburn  
Torii Teller Staff

Personnel administration offices from VMFA-212, MALS-12, MAG-12 and MAG-12 Personnel Support Detachment have joined under one roof.

The co-location is the next step in providing more efficient support to Marines on the front lines, as well as cutting costs, paperwork and personnel.

"Here, we can concentrate on bulk administration functions," said MSgt. Craig Reid, administration and manpower chief of the co-located administration center. "The co-location allows us to accomplish the mission even though we only have 15 of the 23 personnel we rate."

The first administration consolidation step was taken in 1980, when administration units for infantry went from company to battalion level, according to GySgt. Eldridge Johnson Jr., personnel chief. "For aviation units, it's just the next logical step up."

Though the sections from each unit primarily work with their own Marines, co-locating makes administrative processes easier and communication faster. Throughout the Marine Corps, administration will be losing the unit diary clerk military occupational specialty soon — combining it with the service record book clerk MOS and drastically cutting the number of Marines in the shop. Right now, cuts like this are causing some problems with the speed of work.

"The biggest growing pain is the concept of time — fitting a growing workload into set time limits with fewer people. Our view of a timely response doesn't always meet the expectations of individual Marines and their supervisors. We're doing more with less so our ability to complete a project takes a little longer," said Johnson. "That will change with the advent of technology, though.

The Marine Corps is developing new computer driver systems and software that will bring the administration field into the 21st century."

One option the Marine Corps will eventually establish is "Marine On-Line." With this program, each Marine's service record book will be recorded onto a Smart Card. Eventually, Marines will be trained how to submit changes to the card at boot camp. Throughout their careers, they'll be able to electronically furnish SRB alterations, allowing for an even greater administration personnel decrease.

"I foresee the Marine Corps going to at least 95 percent paperless administration with the ever-increasing use of e-mail and computer systems," said Reid. "With the Smart Card and 'Marine On-Line' programs, everything will be automated."

As for MAG-12's co-location, things are still going smoothly, but the consolidation is a continuous learning experience.

"We're doing well," Reid said. "We have our moments."

"We're learning and educating ourselves all the time," Johnson said. "Eventually, our vision is to see the entire station come under one co-located administration center."

Mention has been made of a new building on the station with offices for administration sections from across the station, according to Reid.

As administration sections take on more units, the harder they'll work.

"The larger we get, the bigger the work load," Johnson said.

In the meantime, everything will be taken one step at a time to keep labor at a manageable level.

"We have enough work for now," said Reid.

## Patriot Express cages Freedom Bird

by LCpl Ryan Bradburn  
Torii Teller Staff

The Freedom Bird has been grounded for good, but the Patriot Express has taken to the air in its place.

Earlier this year, Air Mobility Command renamed their flights to more adequately describe services.

"Flights are no longer the 'Freedom Bird' — now they're the 'Patriot Express,'" said SSgt.

Daniel Castilleja, passenger services non-commissioned officer-in-charge here.

The AMC personnel wanted to get away from the 'freedom' title established for flights during the Vietnam era, which signified an escape, according to Castilleja. Now the title accommodates all patriots, including family members.

"Patriot Express is a name everyone can associate with," said

Kevin Walsh, air transportation division manager. "We're all patriots."

Patriot Express' new name is the only significant change, though.

"We're not changing a whole lot," Castilleja said. "We'll be giving a class Wednesday at 1 p.m. in the Air Terminal for anyone desiring information on AMC travel. We want to try to outline our basic requirements."

"We just want to get information to the public: the 'dos' and 'don'ts' of Space 'A' travel," said

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# 31st MEU drops into Friendship Day, helps strengthen bonds

by Sgt. J.J. Rodriguez and  
Cpl. E.M. Thorne  
31st MEU PAO

**MARINE CORPS AIR STATION IWAKUNI, Japan** — More than 176,000 spectators at MCAS Iwakuni's 39th Annual Friendship Day marveled as Marines from the 31st Marine Expeditionary Unit joined other units and put on a show.

The MEU Marines participating came from the Direct Action Platoon, Reconnaissance and Surveillance platoon of Battalion Landing Team 2d Battalion, 4th Marines and Marine Medium Helicopter Squadron-265.

In a time when peace and serenity are nonexistent in other parts of the world, Marines were doing their part in bringing American and Japanese cultures closer together in a well of friendship.

As Friendship Day kicked off, Japanese citizens approached the Marines as soon as the ropes sepa-

rating them from the viewing area fell. The AV-8B Harrier pilots from HMM-265 led the show by performing aerial feats for the bewildered crowd. It was what the visitors came to see and expected out of the Marines. But the 31st MEU Marines were only getting started.

After a few other performances from jets and small acrobatic helicopters, the Marines from R&S had a treat of their own.

Clad in ghillie suits and full combat gear, and with the precision of real-world operations, the Marines of BLT 2/4 performed fast roping and Special Purpose Insertion and Extraction. The crowd cheered as they descended one by one into the eastern side of the field.

The MEU Marines were not done yet. Direct Action Platoon Marines were up next with a jump from a KC-130 Hercules. The 5th Force Reconnaissance detachment was ready for action and waiting for their timeslot in the friendly festival.

The roar from the viewers got louder as the four-prop plane made

its approach to the drop zone. Sergeant Peter Starzyk, a parachute rigger with the platoon, gave them their final wind check.

"Seven mph with gusts of 10," he relayed.

The jumpmaster acknowledged the information and sent out the first jumper, GySgt. Barry Morgan, DAP platoon sergeant. The rest of the seven jumpers followed in suit. The crowd went wild as each jumper performed a seamless landing.

But the show was not yet over for these Marines. As soon as the last "chute" was folded and put away and the plane "parked," the Marines went to greet their audience.

"I'm all in favor of strengthening the Marine and Japanese bonds," said Capt. Thomas Mazzella, platoon commander, who at the same time couldn't believe how many people were present to witness their performance. "I was shocked to see how big this event was."

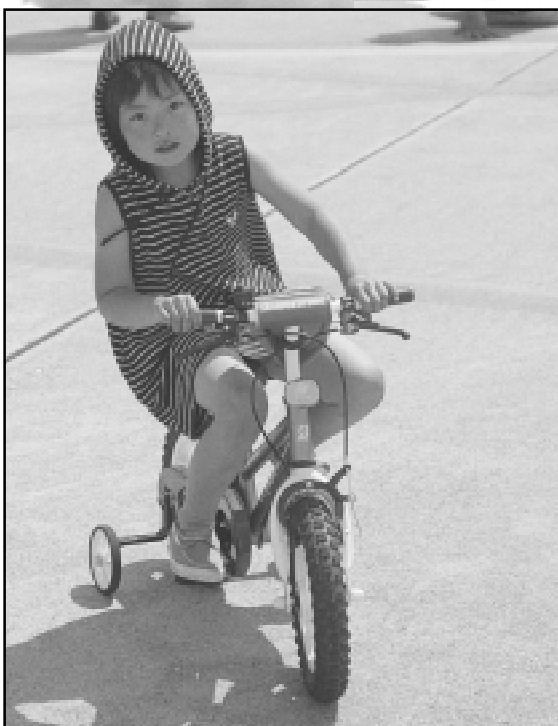
As if rock and roll stars, Marines were rushed by crowds who wanted to take pictures with them. It was a half hour before the crowd thinned.

Colonel Richard Dunn, air station commanding officer, expressed the same appreciation for Marines of the 31st MEU in three words, "They were outstanding."



***The III MEF Band celebrates the ribbon-cutting with music, kicking off this year's Friendship Day festivities.***

photo by LCpl. Ryan Bradburn



***A young "motorist" pedals her way among the sights, sounds and smells.***

photo by LCpl. Ryan Bradburn



## ***Friendship Day 1999***

photo by LCpl. Richard Longhi

**by LCpl. Ryan Bradburn  
Torii Teller Staff**

More than 176,000 visitors flocked to here May 5 for the air station's 39th annual Friendship Day.

Private organization booths were open for visitors and attractions and static displays filled the flight line.

The III MEF band was on-

hand as Col. Richard Dunn, air station commanding officer, Rear Adm. Yoshihiro Kuwahata, Japan Maritime Self-Defense Force Fleet Air Wing-31 commander, and LtCol. Nobuyuki Shiozawa, commanding officer Japan Air Self-Defense Force Blue Impulse, cut the ribbon to start the day's festivities.

Air demonstrations throughout the day, including aircraft





photo by LCpl. Ryan Bradburn

***A visitor gets a little boost as he prepares to aim for the net again in one of the many available games.***



photo by LCpl. Richard Longhi

***Blue Impulse jets roar across the sky as their pilots perform a variety of precision moves, executing the air show's grand finale.***

from the station, around the Pacific theater and local Japanese stunt teams, thrilled the masses with their aerobatics, speed and power. Marines demonstrated how to fast-rope and parachute and demonstration teams flirted with danger to please the crowd.

Other attractions included a body-building contest, police dog demonstration, the Teen Center Spring Fashion Show, and a

display of classic automobiles and motorcycles.

Friendship Day 1999 has provided a lasting memory for Marines too — the station's visitors left their own good impression.

"It's the friendliness and kindness of all the people that I'll remember," said Cpl. Harvey Turner, MWSS-171 Motor Transportation operator.



photo by Sgt. J.J. Rodrigues

***Special Purpose Insertion and Extraction Marines from the Reconnaissance and Surveillance Section of Battalion Landing Team 2/4, 31st MEU, demonstrate for the crowd.***



photo by LCpl. Jessica Simonson

**Cpl. Eugene Bryant, MWSS-171 assistant warehouse chief, drills a platoon during the Corporal's Course held in April.**

## Corporal's Course sets NCOs in motion

**by LCpl. Jessica Simonson  
Torii Teller Staff**

Non-commissioned officers of the future will require "unwavering maturity, judgement and strength of character, according to the Commandant of the Marine Corps Gen. Charles Krulak. Most importantly, they will need the ability to confidently make well-reasoned and independent decisions under extreme stress."

The Corporal's Course, offered every other month on the air station, is teaching corporals of the present to be the Commandant's "strategic corporal" necessary for the Marine Corps' successes in the future.

The 127-hour course focuses on what a corporal — regardless of military occupational specialty, should know to be effective. Leadership, physical training, military

history and drill are emphasized during the course, said GySgt. Thomas Miller, assistant deputy director of the Corporal's Course.

All Marine corporals and Navy petty officers 3rd class, including those stationed on other installations on mainland Japan, have the opportunity to learn leadership using leadership traits. Most Marines can recall from recruit training those 11 principles, including tact, knowledge and endurance. The course, however, takes it one step further.

"We try to go beyond and instill the need to develop communication skills and influence tactics," said Miller. "Without effective communication and the respect of Marines, the mission won't get accomplished."

The 39 students are divided into three squads, each led by a staff NCO squad advisor. In order to make more educated corporals than before, the instructors teach students the profound effect they will have in the future.

"I was just promoted in March," said Cpl. Corey Atwood, Marine Air Control Squadron-4 radar electrical technician. "I thought the course would be a good way to get off on the right foot. It has helped define what role I play as a corporal."

Graduation is based on several criteria, according to Miller. Exams, an inspection by the squad advisor, a presentation of the Battle of Iwo Jima, a mastery of drill and a final physical fitness test are all required.

The effort students put forth will be to their advantage.

"A code is put in the record book after the course has been completed," said Miller. "Though it isn't necessary, it makes the Marine more competitive for promotion."

But for now, most students are just concentrating on being effective corporals.

"I'm soaking everything in," said Cpl. William Pendelton, MWSS-171 field radio operator. "I've learned a lot in a short period of time."

### Cutting Edge

**Kazumasa Kawamura (left), a barber at the Southside Barbershop, trims hair from the head of LCpl. Chris Singh, H&HS air traffic controller.**

**The Southside Barbershop accomodates approximately 200 customers per day — most of them at lunch-time. The most requested style is the "high-and-tight," according to Murakami Hisado, barber.**

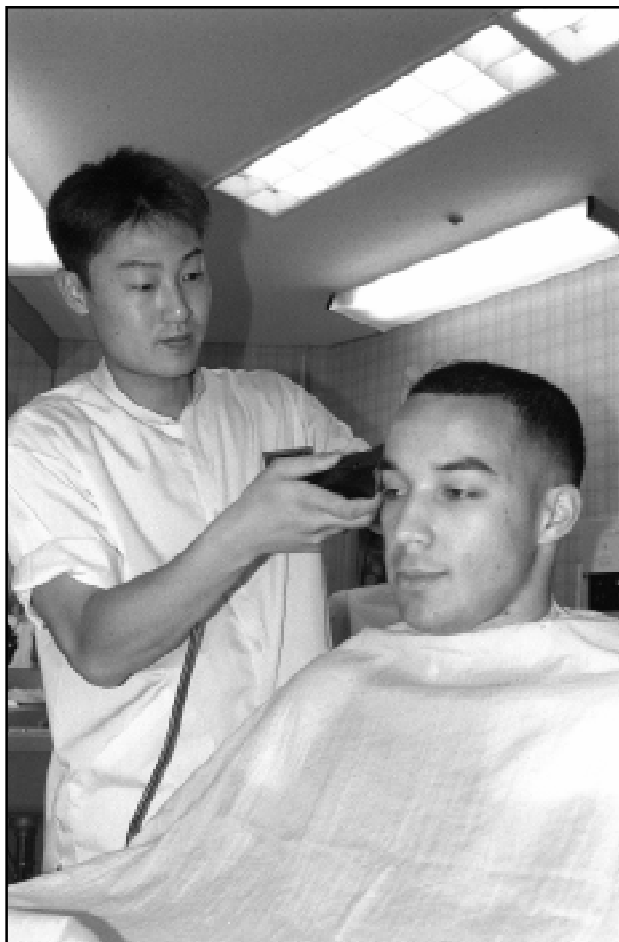


photo by Cpl. Michael Niman



# Air station residents join in local culture

by LCpl Ryan Bradburn

Torii Teller Staff

Air station residents mingled with Japanese performers April 29 in a parade during the Kintai Bridge Festival.

The festival, a re-enactment of a historical procession to Tokyo, featured a parade through Iwakuni, across the Kintai Bridge and to the Iwakuni Historical Museum.

About 20 Americans participated, suiting up in appropriate attire for the occasion.

They enjoyed the cultural interaction and were a welcome addition to the ceremony, which began in 1977.

"The Japanese seemed surprised but happy to have Americans in the parade," said LtCol. Pierre Garant, MALS-12 executive officer and samurai lord for the parade. "For me, it was a great experience, especially since they appreciated it so much."

"The festival was a lot of fun," said LCpl. Barry Guam, of the MALS-12 avionics electric shop and a samurai guard for the procession. "It let me get out and experience Japanese culture."



photos by LCpl. Ryan Bradburn

**ABOVE:** Steve and Judy Gergick march in a procession during the 22nd Annual Kintai Bridge Festival held April 29.

**LEFT:** LtCol. Pierre Garant, "samurai lord," mingles with Japanese children as they parade over the Kintai Bridge to the Iwakuni Historical Museum.

## **PATRIOT** from Page 4

Walsh. "This is the first time we've done one open to the public, so we're hoping for a good turn-out."

The class will include information on how to sign up for flights and baggage limitations, as well as costs associated with different categories of Space "A" travel, according to Walsh. The briefing, however, is mainly designed to field questions.

"We'll go over a lot of

common and off-the-wall questions we are asked," he said. "We'll have information packets available for those who can't make the briefing, too."

Questions concerning the briefing or Patriot Express flights are welcome at the terminal at 253-5509.

"We're always open to answer questions," said Walsh. "If anyone doesn't get a satisfactory answer at the front desk, they're free to call me."

## **CHANNEL** from Page 3

transmissions are essentially problem-free.

"When you move a satellite dish, you will see that," said Massey. "It takes a few days to line up the two perfectly."

The air station received Star World, Star Sports and Channel V by way of the Star Satellite from July 1997 until changes to the current selection were made.

Prior to that, residents could watch only Armed Forces Radio and Television Service channels — AFN Pacific and AFN Atlantic, offered through the AFN.

American Forces Network added the News Sports and Spectrum channels to the base cable system in the spring of 1997.

# Fatigued driving poses threat

submitted by  
**Station Safety Center**

It was late at night and the driver had been behind the wheel for an hour or two. His passenger was asleep, and they had at least one hour before they would arrive in Iwakuni. Suddenly the passenger was awakened by a horrific crash. The driver had fallen asleep, crossed over the centerline and hit a car head-on in the opposite lane.

The passenger relayed information about the crash to the investigator from the Provost Marshal's Office because the driver did not survive the accident.

That crash occurred more than two years ago. Fatigue-related crashes killed almost as many Marines and Sailors service-wide last year as alcohol-related crashes. Fatigue impairs alertness and performance, often without one's awareness. In fact, sleepiness and fatigue can be as dangerous as intoxication.

Just 18 hours without sleep causes mental and motor skills to deteriorate as much as they do when blood alcohol content reaches .05 percent. Twenty-four hours of sustained wakefulness equates to a BAC of .10 percent, the legal intoxication limit in most states.

On the highways, drowsiness costs society more than \$12 billion a year in lost productivity.

According to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, approximately 1,500 deaths and 76,000 injuries occur annually because drivers fall asleep.

Fatigue-related mishaps are of major concern to the Marine Corps, and emphasis on fatigue awareness education is stressed in Marine Corps Order 5100.19D, the Marine Corps Traffic Safety Program.

Below are a few ways to tell if you are about to fall asleep. If you experience any of these danger signs, take them as a warning that you could fall asleep without meaning to.

If you experience one or more of these symptoms, you are not only endangering your life and the lives of any passengers, but you are endangering other motorists with whom you share the road. Pull off the road and take a nap.

Fatigue is a serious threat to mission effectiveness. Adequate restful sleep is a biological need like hunger or thirst, and it's the only cure for fatigue – there is no substitute.

## Fatigued driving warning signs

- ✓ Your eyes close or go out of focus by themselves.
- ✓ You have trouble keeping your head up.
- ✓ You can't stop yawning.
- ✓ You have wandering, disconnected thoughts.
- ✓ You don't remember driving the last few miles.
- ✓ You drift between lines, tailgate or miss traffic signs.
- ✓ You keep jerking the car back into the lane.

# Safe motorcycling in Japan

by **Jerry Hollenback**  
**Station Safety Center**

**S**pringtime is arguably the most beautiful season in Japan, and mild spring afternoons make for some of the best motorcycle riding here.

Statistically, spring is also the worst time to be riding a motorcycle. Enthusiasm takes the place of common sense, and inexperienced riders underestimate their limits. Each time you ride your motorcycle, you are assuming a high degree of risk.

A motorcycle affords very little protection compared to that provided by a steel-bodied car. Motorcyclists continue to be victims of motor vehicle accidents and, despite the use of reflective vests and headlights, are

**So far this year, there have been three significant motorcycle accidents involving air station personnel.**

difficult for other motorists to see.

This spring, before you take the cover off of your bike and become another statistic for the Safety Center, take a moment to reflect on how you can reduce the risk without reducing the fun.

☑ Inspect your bike each time before you ride.

☑ Know your limits. Traffic congestion and narrow roads create hazardous conditions for motorcycles. Do not ride your bike unless you are at your best mentally and physically. Fatigue, alcohol or carelessness are very unforgiving to riders.

☑ Obey local traffic regulations, customs and courtesies.

☑ If you are a little rusty, sign up for the Motorcycle Safety Foundation Riders Course offered here. Even if you have had the course before, motorcycle-riding skills are perishable if not regularly practiced.

☑ Ensure that you ride with the prescribed protective gear, including boots, long pants, jacket, approved helmet, full-finger gloves and reflective vest.

Every year thousands of motorcyclists lose their lives or become permanently disabled due to motor vehicle accidents. Most of these accidents could have been prevented if the riders had been prepared and had motorcycled within their limits.

Touring Japan from a bike can provide you with some of your best memories of life overseas. Ride responsibly so you don't have to view cherry blossoms from a hospital bed.



photo by Cpl. Christopher Reitman

**The 1999 girls' varsity soccer team is the only undefeated team in M.C. Perry High School history. They not only played teams from other U.S. military installations, but also played local high school varsity teams.**

# ***Lady Samurai soccer season sensational***

**by Cpl. Michael Niman  
Torii Teller Staff**

When the M.C. Perry Samurai girls' varsity soccer team began their season, they never expected to beat some of the schools on their schedule, let alone become the first undefeated team in their school's history.

**"The winning record is not only a great way to end the season, it's a great way to end our last year of high school."**

**team captain Heidi Pross**

In only their second year of existence, the Lady Samurai rolled over teams such as the Nile C. Kinnick Red Devils from Yokosuka Naval Base and the Robert D. Edgren Eagles from Misawa Air Base, and finished 9-0.

Led throughout the season under the leadership of team captain Heidi Pross and co-captains Elizabeth Day and Jill Politi, the Samurai's dominant play and winning attitudes proved to be key in the destruction of team after team.

"The winning record is not only a great way to end the season, it's a great way to end our last year of high school," said Pross.

Although four of the Samurai girls are seniors, most of the freshman-dominated team is comprised of first or second year players.

"Most of them are just learning the sport of soccer," said Chris Grey, Samurai coach.

But Samurai didn't stop at great soccer, according to Grey.

"Their biggest accomplishment this year was their grades," he said.

The Lady Samurai had a whopping 70 percent of the team on the M.C. Perry Honor Roll.

"I'm so proud of all the girls on the team," said Grey. "The time my wife and I spent with this team and these girls will be one of the most memorable times of our lives."

After two seasons with the Samurai, Grey is saying farewell to the team due to his permanent changing of station this summer.

## **Sports Briefs**

### **PTO Golf Tournament**

The M.C. Perry Parent Teacher Organization Golf Tournament/Fundraiser is rescheduled for tomorrow and Sunday. To reserve a tee time, call 253-3402.

### **Aerobathon**

A "Blast Into Summer" Aerobathon will be held May 23, noon-3:30 p.m. at the Main Gym. Door prizes will be awarded. This three-hour event is open to all SOFA and JMSDF personnel. There is a fee. For details call 253-6359.

### **Skeet Competition**

A skeet competition will be held May 23, 11 a.m.-4 p.m. at the Boar's Head Sporting Lodge. The event is open to DoD identification card holders and Japanese citizens in possession of a hunter's license. It will feature a Blue Bird Competition and random giveaways. For details call 253-3038 (weekends only).

### **Scuba Hours**

The Scuba Locker's regular operating hours are Monday and Friday, 5:30-9:30 p.m. Saturday, 7-10 a.m. Sunday, 5:30-9:30 p.m. "Scuba in the pool" is available Fridays, 6-8 p.m. by appointment. Also offered are open water, advanced, rescue and other specialty diving courses. For details call the Scuba Locker at 253-6058 and leave a message.

### **Mount Fuji Climb**

Registration opens today for Outdoor Rec's Mount Fuji Climb and Tokyo Trip, July 11-15. All SOFA identification card holders 12 and older may participate. Two additional trips are planned this summer. For details call 253-3822.





**Friday**

9:00 Sesame Street  
 10:00 Barney and Friends  
 10:30 Kiana's Flex Appeal  
 11:00 The Oprah Winfrey Show  
 12:00 Nightly News  
 12:30 Wheel of Fortune  
 1:00 Port Charles  
 1:25 Guiding Light  
 2:15 General Hospital  
 3:05 Sylvester and Tweety Mysteries  
 3:30 Kratt's Creatures  
 4:00 Xena: Warrior Princess  
 5:00 Jeopardy!  
 5:30 Headline News  
 6:00 Pacific Report  
 6:33 CNN/SI  
 7:00 Star Trek: Voyager  
 Scorpion (part 1 of 2)  
 8:00 Star Trek: Voyager  
 Scorpion (part 2 of 2)  
 9:00 X-Files (TV-14)  
 10:00 Pacific Report  
 10:35 Tonight Show w/Leno  
 11:35 Late Show w/Letterman

**Saturday**

0:35 ESPNNews  
 1:05 Movies 'til Dawn  
 The Longest Day (TV-G)  
 5:00 Today Show  
 7:00 Sesame Street Specials  
 7:30 Muppet Babies  
 8:00 Disney's Pepper Ann  
 8:30 Disney's Recess  
 9:00 Aaahh! Real Monsters  
 9:30 Are You Afraid of the Dark?  
 10:00 Nova  
 11:00 America's Family Kitchen  
 11:30 California's Gold  
 12:00 Nightly News  
 12:30 Navy/Marine Corps News  
 1:00 ESPN NHL Playoffs  
 Semifinals Game 6  
 4:00 WWF Superstars  
 5:00 Soul Train  
 6:00 Headline News  
 6:30 ESPNNews  
 7:00 Beverly Hills 90210  
 8:00 Melrose Place (TV-PG)  
 9:00 20/20 Fri  
 10:00 Headline News  
 10:30 ESPNNews  
 11:00 Saturday Night Live

**Sunday**

12:30 Videolinks  
 1:00 Movies 'til Dawn  
 Fifteen and Pregnant (TV-PG)  
 2:45 Movies 'til Dawn  
 Days of Wine and Roses (TV-PG)  
 5:00 Headline News  
 5:30 Hour of Power  
 6:00 The Coral Ridge Hour  
 6:30 Outreach of Love

7:00 The Field Afar  
 7:30 Day of Discovery  
 8:00 Magic School Bus  
 8:30 Adventures Book of Virtues  
 9:00 Promised Land  
 10:00 Wonderful World of Disney  
 12:00 Headline News  
 12:30 Army Newswatch  
 1:00 ESPN NASCAR Winston Cup  
 4:00 NASCAR Winston Cup  
 4:30 Hercules: Legendary Journeys  
 5:30 Wall Street Journal Report  
 6:00 Headline News  
 6:30 ESPNNews  
 7:00 Kids Say the Darndest Things (TV-G)  
 7:30 Maggie Winters  
 8:00 Prime Time Movie  
 Five Desperate Hours  
 10:00 Headline News  
 10:30 Baywatch  
 11:30 Austin City Limits

**Monday**

12:30 America's Black Forum  
 1:00 Friday Night  
 Sports (live)  
 2:00 Headline News  
 8:30 Showbiz Today  
 9:00 Sesame Street  
 10:00 Big Bag  
 10:30 Kiana's Flex Appeal  
 11:00 The Oprah Winfrey Show  
 12:00 Headline News  
 12:30 Wheel of Fortune  
 1:30 Port Charles  
 1:25 Guiding Light  
 2:15 General Hospital  
 3:05 Bonkers  
 3:30 Superman  
 4:00 California Dreams  
 4:30 All That  
 5:00 Jeopardy!  
 5:30 Headline News  
 6:00 Pacific Report  
 6:33 CNN/SI  
 7:00 60 Minutes  
 8:00 Sports Night  
 8:30 AFN Special  
 A Celebration: 100 Years of Great Women  
 10:00 Pacific Report  
 10:35 Tonight Show w/Leno  
 11:35 Late Show w/Letterman

**Tuesday**

0:35 ESPNNews  
 1:05 Movies 'til Dawn  
 Nat'l Lampoon's European Vacation (TV-14)  
 2:45 Movies 'til Dawn  
 Mister Roberts (TV-PG)  
 5:00 Headline News  
 5:30 ESPNNews  
 6:00 Today Show  
 8:00 Headline News  
 8:30 Showbiz Today

9:00 Sesame Street  
 10:00 Blues Clues  
 10:30 CoEd Training  
 11:00 The Oprah Winfrey Show  
 12:00 Nightly News  
 12:30 Wheel of Fortune  
 1:00 Port Charles  
 1:30 Guiding Light  
 2:15 General Hospital  
 3:05 Mighty Ducks  
 3:30 Newton's Apple  
 4:00 Nick News  
 4:30 Scholastic Sports America  
 5:00 Jeopardy!  
 5:30 Headline News  
 6:00 Pacific Report  
 6:33 CNN/SI  
 7:00 Whose Line is it Anyway (TV-PG)  
 7:30 Prime Time Movie  
 The Bridges of Madison County  
 10:00 Pacific Report  
 10:35 Tonight Show w/Leno  
 11:35 Late Show w/Letterman

**Wednesday**

12:35 ESPNNews  
 1:05 Movies 'til Dawn  
 Airplane! (TV-PG)  
 2:45 Movies 'til Dawn  
 Rain Man (TV-PG)  
 5:00 Headline News  
 5:30 ESPNNews  
 6:00 Today Show  
 8:00 Headline News  
 8:30 Showbiz Today  
 9:00 Sesame Street  
 10:00 Barney and Friends  
 10:30 Bodyshaping  
 11:00 The Oprah Winfrey Show  
 12:00 Nightly News  
 12:30 Wheel of Fortune  
 1:00 Port Charles  
 1:25 Guiding Light  
 2:15 General Hospital  
 3:05 Goof Troop  
 3:30 Gargoyles  
 4:00 Saved by the Bell: New Class  
 4:30 Legends of Hidden Temple  
 5:00 Jeopardy!  
 5:30 Headline News  
 6:00 Pacific Report  
 6:33 CNN/SI  
 7:00 Moesha  
 7:30 Home Improvement  
 8:00 Dawson's Creek  
 9:00 Buffy the Vampire Slayer  
 10:00 Pacific Report  
 10:35 Tonight Show w/Leno  
 11:35 Late Show w/Letterman

**Thursday**

0:35 ESPNNews  
 1:05 Movies 'til Dawn  
 Downhill Racer (TV-PG)  
 3:00 Movies 'til Dawn

Used Cars (TV-PG)  
 5:00 Headline News  
 5:30 ESPNNews  
 6:00 Today Show  
 8:00 Headline News  
 8:30 Showbiz Today  
 9:00 Sesame Street  
 10:00 Blues Clues  
 10:30 Co-Ed Training  
 11:00 The Oprah Winfrey Show  
 12:00 Nightly News  
 12:30 Wheel of Fortune  
 1:00 Port Charles  
 1:25 Guiding Light  
 2:15 General Hospital  
 3:05 Animaniacs  
 3:30 Waynehead  
 4:00 Hercules: Legendary Journeys  
 5:00 Jeopardy!  
 5:30 Headline News  
 6:00 Pacific Report  
 6:33 CNN/SI  
 7:00 Friends  
 7:30 Working (TV-PG)  
 8:00 Frasier  
 8:35 Mad About You (TV-PG)  
 9:00 ER (TV-14)  
 10:00 Pacific Report  
 10:35 Tonight Show w/Leno  
 11:35 Late Show w/Letterman

**Friday**

12:35 ESPNNews  
 1:05 Movies 'til Dawn  
 Bite the Bullet (TV-PG)  
 3:25 Movies 'til Dawn  
 Throw Momma from the Train (TV-PG)  
 5:00 Headline News  
 5:30 ESPNNews  
 6:00 Today Show  
 8:00 Headline News  
 8:30 Showbiz Today  
 9:00 Sesame Street  
 10:00 Barney and Friends  
 10:30 Kiana's Flex Appeal  
 11:00 The Oprah Winfrey Show  
 12:00 Nightly News  
 12:30 Wheel of Fortune  
 1:00 Port Charles  
 1:25 Guiding Light  
 2:15 General Hospital  
 3:05 Sylvester and Tweety Mysteries  
 3:30 Kratt's Creatures  
 4:00 Xena: Warrior Princess  
 5:00 Jeopardy!  
 5:30 Headline News  
 6:00 Pacific Report  
 6:33 CNN/SI  
 7:00 Simpsons  
 7:30 Sister, Sister (TV-PG)  
 8:00 Star Trek: Voyager  
 9:00 X-Files (TV-14)  
 10:00 Pacific Report  
 10:35 Tonight Show w/Leno  
 11:35 Late Show w/Letterman

## Movies

**Sakura Theater****Deep End of the Ocean (PG-13)**

May 14, 7 p.m.; May 15, 4 p.m.; May 16, 3 p.m.; May 18, 7 p.m.

In the middle of a crowded hotel lobby Beth Cappadora (Michelle Pfeiffer) looks away for a moment — and lives every parent's nightmare when her 3-year-old son Ben disappears. This movie portrays the joyful and wrenching experiences of Beth and her husband Pat (Treat Williams) when Ben mysteriously reappears nine years later, a happily adopted 12-year-old, with no memory of his real parents or of his troubled teenage brother Vincent (Jonathan Jackson).

**Shakespeare in Love (R)**

May 14, 10 p.m.; May 15, 7 p.m.; May 17, 7 p.m.

"Shakespeare in Love," a witty, fast-moving romantic comedy set in London in 1593, follows the trials and tribulations of Will Shakespeare (Joseph Flennes), a struggling young playwright suffering from a dreadful bout of writer's block. But then, Will meets and falls in love with the startlingly beautiful Viola (Gweneth Paltrow) who, desperate to become an actor disguises herself as a man to audition for his play.

Inspired by love, Will's creative powers are unleashed as his great love story, "Romeo and Juliet," is brought to life for the first time.

**The Rage; Carrie 2 (R)**

May 14, 12:30 a.m.; May 15, 10 p.m.; May 16, 10 p.m.; May 19, 7 p.m.

After the suicide of her only friend, Rachel has never felt more on the outside. The one person who reaches out to her, Jesse, also happens to be part of the popular crowd that lives to torment outsiders like her. But Rachel has something else that separates her from the rest, a secret ability to move things with her mind. Sue Snell, the only survivor of Carrie White's rampage 22 years ago, may hold the key to helping Rachel come to terms with her awesome but unwanted power. But as Rachel slowly learns to trust, a terrible trap is being laid out for her. And making her angry could prove to be fatal.

This schedule is submitted by the Sakura Theater and is subject to change. Any questions or comments can be directed to **MCES** at 253-4003.

**Iwakuni's Theaters****Kokusai:**

May 15 - June 11

"Ever After" - 12:20 p.m., 4:45 p.m., (Sat. only) 9:10 p.m.

"8 mm" - 10 a.m., 2:25 p.m., 4:50 p.m., (Sat. only) 11:15 p.m.

**New Central I:**

May 15 - end of May

"Payback" - 10:40 a.m., 12:40 p.m., 2:40 p.m., 4:40 p.m., 6:40 p.m., (Sat. only) 8:40 p.m.

**New Central II:**

May 15 - end of May

"Enemy of the State" - 11:05 a.m., 3:40 p.m., (Sat. only) 8:15 p.m.

"Patch Adams" - 1:25 p.m., 6:10 p.m., (Sat. only) 10:35 p.m.

May 16 and 22, no showing of "Enemy of the State" at 11:05 a.m.

**New Central III:**

May 14 - end of May

"Shakespeare in Love" - 11:10 a.m., 1:30 p.m., 3:50 p.m., 6:10 p.m., (Sat. only) 8:30 p.m.

May 16 and 22, no showing of "Shakespeare in Love" at 11:10 a.m.



### **Alcoholics Anonymous**

Alcoholics Anonymous open meetings are held Tuesdays and Thursdays, 7 p.m. and Wednesdays, 11:30 a.m. Closed meetings are held each Sunday, 7 p.m. A "for women only" open meeting is held the last Saturday of each month at 10 a.m. All meetings are held in Bldg. 497, second floor. For more information call 43-4814.

### **Sixth Grade Awards Ceremony**

An awards ceremony for sixth grade students will be held June 10, 1 p.m. in the M.C. Perry Elementary School gym. A reception will be held at the Officers' Club following the ceremony. Parents are invited to attend. For more information call 253-3447.

### **Asian Pacific Heritage Month**

Marine Corps Community Services' Special Events, in conjunction with Asian Pacific Heritage Month, presents an "Around the Pacific" Luau Saturday, 4 p.m. at the MAC Dome on Northside.

A variety of cultural exhibits and entertainment will be featured, and a buffet meal will be available for purchase. The luau is sponsored by AT&T. For more information call 253-6184.

### **Trivia Contest**

In honor of Asian Pacific Heritage Month, the Station Library is having a trivia contest for children ages 6-11 and 12-17. Forms may be picked up at the library and must be returned by close of business May 31. A prize will be awarded to the first child in each age category who turns in his trivia form correctly.

### **Sure Start Applications**

M.C. Perry Elementary School is now accepting Sure Start Applications for the 1999-2000 school year. Sure Start is a pre-kindergarten program for children who will be 4 years old by Oct. 31, 1999 and qualify under one or more of the following:

- sponsor is an E-5 or below
- single-parent home
- English is the second language of one or both parents
- large family (four or more children in the home)
- mother under the age of 19 when the first child in the family was born
- sponsor was deployed for 90 days (must have verification from command)
- a parent did not finish high school
- child's birth weight was under 5.5 pounds (must have verification from birth records)
- child has an older sibling with a severe disability

Applications can be picked up at M.C. Perry Elementary School office. For more information call 253-3447.



### **American Red Cross**

#### **CPR/CFAS Class**

The American Red Cross will offer Community First Aid and Safety Training Friday, 6-10 p.m. and Saturday, 8:30 a.m.-3 p.m. in Bldg. 210. Participants will learn and receive certification in the skills of adult CPR, infant CPR and first aid. The course fee includes all materials and a workbook. Registration is required. For more information call 253-4525.

#### **First Aid/Safety Instructor Course**

A Community First Aid and Safety Instructor Course will be held June 11-12, 8 a.m.-5 p.m. in Bldg. 210. A prerequisite for this class, Instructor Candidate Training, will be held June 10, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. in Bldg. 210. Both classes have a fee. For details call 253-4525.

### **MCCS Personal Services Division**

#### **Playgroup**

Playgroups scheduled for Tuesday and May 25 are cancelled. The next Playgroup will meet June 1 in Bldg. 589, community room. For more information call the Family Programs Office at 253-3737.

#### **Key Volunteer Coordinator Course**

Anyone interested in becoming involved in a leadership role in the Key Volunteer Network should attend this important training. The course will be held Tuesday, 8:30-11:30 a.m. in Bldg. 210, Rm. 106. For more information call Kathy Schaffer at 253-6284.

#### **Sponsorship Training**

The Relocation Center is conducting a sponsorship Training Class May 26, 9:30 -11:30 a.m., in Bldg. 210, Rm. 227. Anyone interested in becoming a sponsor should call Brenda Caron at 253-3311.

#### **Smooth Move Seminar**

The next Smooth Move Seminar will be held May 28, 1-4:30 p.m., in Bldg. 210, Rm. 227. Here's an excellent opportunity to ensure a smooth move. A great deal of pre-departure and destination information will be provided. For details and to register call 253-3311.

### **Information and Referral Office**

#### **Japanese Survival Class**

Learn to speak enough Japanese to survive in Japan. This free, six-session language class will be held Tuesday-Thursday and May 25-27, 11:45 a.m.-12:45 p.m. in Bldg. 210, Rm. 227. To register call 253-6161.

### **Career Resource Management Center**

#### **Special Employment Workshop**

This all-day workshop will be held May 24, 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m., in Bldg. 210, Rm. 203, and was developed to provide detailed job search refresher training to spouses returning to the states this summer. Advanced sign-up



is required. For more information call 253-6439.

## Transition Bulletin Board (TBB) Job Listing

This free, computerized, DoD-funded program includes thousands of federal and civilian worldwide job listings, scheduled worldwide Job Fairs, detailed information on starting your own business and much more. It is an excellent program for all transitioning military, DoD, retired personnel and their spouses. For more information call 253-6439.

## Internet Job Search

To be successful in today's competitive job market, job seekers should adapt and learn to use every available resource at their disposal. Whether you're looking for job openings back home, the availability and cost of local housing or information on college enrollment, using the Internet is fast, fun and easy with hands-on assistance provided by our staff. For details call 253-6439.

## DORS Electronic Resume

This free DoD electronic resume service puts resumes in front of 20,000 stateside employers who are actively seeking transitioning military, DoD, retired personnel and their spouses to fill thousands of jobs. For more information call CRMC at 253-6439.

## Education



### Test Schedule

- Tuesdays - College Level Examination Program
- DANTES Subject Standardized Test
- May 19 - ACT Examination
- May 20 - Scholastic Assessment Test
- May 26 - Defense Language Aptitude Battery
- Defense Language Proficiency Test
- May 28 - Armed Forces Classification Test

For more information call the Education Services Office at 253-3855.

### High School Registration

High school registration runs through June 15, 9 a.m.-2 p.m., Monday-Friday. Returning students must also re-register. Students who will PCS prior to June 18 must notify the school registrar at least 30 days prior to departure date. Only students who are PCSing can accelerate their classes and get final grades prior to departure. For more information call Mr. Ramos, school registrar, at 253-5448.

### School Withdrawal

If you are PCSing this summer, please remember to notify the school two weeks in advance so that they can prepare records for you. For more information call M.C. Perry Elementary School at 253-3447.

### Spouse Tuition Aid Program

The Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society is offering tuition assistance for Term VI at Troy State University to spouses of Navy and Marine Corps personnel. Amounts



## Chapel's Weekly Services

### Saturday

5 p.m. Catholic Mass (Annex multi-purpose room)

### Sunday

- 8:15 a.m. Liturgical Worship Service (Chapel Annex)
- 9 a.m. Catholic Mass (M.C. Perry Elementary School gym)
- Church of Christ Sunday School (Chapel Annex)
- 9:30 a.m. Protestant Sunday School (Chapel Annex)
- 10 a.m. Church of Christ Lay Leader Service (Chapel Annex)
- 10:15 a.m. C.C.D. (Chapel Annex)
- Gospel Sunday School (Chapel Annex)
- 10:30 a.m. Protestant Divine Worship Service (M.C. Perry Elementary School gym)
- 12 p.m. Gospel Divine Worship Service (M.C. Perry Elementary School gym)
- 12:30 p.m. Church of Jesus Christ, Latter Day Saints Education (Bldg. 1117)
- 2:15 p.m. Church of Jesus Christ, Latter Day Saints Sacrament (Bldg. 1117)

Weekday Mass is celebrated at 11:45 a.m. Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday in the Chapel Annex, Rm. 103; Call 253-5218 for more information.

For information on Jewish Services call Mark Zeid at 082-231-4008 after 6 p.m. or call the station chapel.



up to \$350 are available for graduate work. Applications are being accepted Monday to June 4. A separate application is required for each term. Stop by Education Services Office or the Navy Relief Office to pick up the packet. Call 253-5311 for an appointment.

### University of Maryland Registration for Term V

University of Maryland registration for Term V will begin Monday and continue until May 28. New course offerings include the Pacific Century, Environmental Science and two upper level business courses. Classes begin May 31. For more information call 253-3494.

### Distance Education

University of Maryland Distance Education schedule for Term V is available via Internet: <http://www.umucad.org>. Deadline for requesting reservation is May 27.

### Central Texas College

Central Texas College will be holding registration for Term V Monday through May 28. Classes will run May 31 through July 23. For more information call 253-3484 or stop by Bldg. 210.

### Troy State University

Troy State University will be holding its graduation ceremony for the class of 1999 inside the M.C. Perry multipurpose room May 21, 6 p.m. All are welcome to attend. We would also like to congratulate 1stLt. Baseel, Chris Bennett, Gerald Hollenback, SSgt. Monroe, Dana Rivera, Wilfred River and MGySgt. Smith, who will receive their master of science in management degrees. For more information call 253-6051.